



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Ronald Vale *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/031,819

Group No.: 1639

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Examiner: Shibuya, M.L.

Entitled:

**ASSAYS FOR DETECTING MODULATORS OF
CYTOSKELETAL FUNCTION**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 4, 2005

MS Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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Cliff Cannon-Cin

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of May 4, 2005, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group III, with traverse. A petition for a one-month extension of time is attached, thereby extending the period for reply to July 5, 2005. Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2, and although no amendments to the claims have been made at this time, a complete listing of claims is provided beginning on page 3. In addition, remarks are provided beginning on page 12 of this communication